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A LIFT FOR TODAY

* He did right in the sight of the Lord. —II Kings 18:3.

WE NEVER WANDER from Christ while we make character the end and aim of our intellec-

Almighty God, lead us in the paths of righteous ness that we may become acceptable unto Thee.

Edenton Puzzle

In terms of its financial impact, the contemplated shutdown of the \$13 million Edenton Navy Auxiliary Air Station, with its annual payroll of about \$4.5 million, is a more serious matter than the recent clesing of the Weeksville Naval Air Facility (payroll, \$3 million). In both cases the loss of the activities represents a serious blow to the communities involved as well as to this whole region.

No one expects the government to maintain expensive operations in an area merely because of the economic needs or desires of a locality. The requirements of national defense constitute the overriding element in any such situation, and when the emphasis in weapons is shifting dramtically, as in the case today, dislocations, economies and changes are inevita-

However, the Edenton decision certainly raises some provocative questions. If need is controlling, for instance, why was this Marine Corps facility only recently scheduled for a \$48 million expansion program? And if econemy is the decisive force, what kind of economy is it that permits the discard of a \$13 million basic investment?

-NORFOLK LEDGER-DISPATCH

Those Vicious Automobiles

Judging by news reports of automobile accidents, modern cars with their multi-hundred horsepower engines and super-sonic speeds react in strange ways to the temperaments of their drivers. Almost daily one reads "car left highway on curve, crashed into tree and killed driver." Or "car pulled out of traffic line without warning, struck oncoming car head on-occupants of both cars dead." Or "car went out of control and rolled over bank into river-bodies not yet found."

What ails the modern automobile? Why has it taken on these homicidal tendencies? Are automobiles irritated because their drivers hold them back on curves? Do they become impatient when a timid driver tries to keep them from going 80 or 90 miles an hour to pass another car and keep ahead of everything on the read? Do they imagine when coming to a curve that they can spread their fenders like wings to cross a canyon like an airplane and connect with the road on the other side? What are their motives?

Owners must be protected from the irresponsible actions of cars or it will soon be suicide to drive one of them.

One way to show your car you are boss when it shows signs of taking the "bit in its teeth" is to cut its feed supply and spur it with well-adjusted brakes-that might teach it a lesson, if you live through the experiment.

What Makes America

There's no doubt that in the last generation or so more and more persons have developed the habit of looking to government to do things for them and to solve their prob-

So this statement by Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey is highly timely: "The success of our economy depends not upon government, but upon the efforts of all the people all trying to do a little more for themselves, trying to better themselves and their loved ones. It is the cumulative effect of all this individual effort . . . that makes our system superior to anything ever known in this world before. That's what makes America."

Nearly everybody thinks of wrong in terms of what other people are doing.

It's a poor brain that has to be fired by alcohol before it can function.

Your success, if you are wise, does not depend upon somebody else.

Courtesy is too cheap for some people to be interested in it.

The impulse to do good is worthwhile if the xearly tourist consumption are: the individual does good.



"Cheapside" (newcomers may not know that lower Broad Street used to be so called) has been filled up at least for about three years. However, the Ricks Jewelers early this week moved this business to Hertford and will be located in the old Hertford Bank building. The Herald office now has a vacant building next door, and here's hoping somebody will soon move in. It isn't hard to remember when The Herald moved from East King Street to the present building and the closest neighbors were Joe Vail on the corner and Dick Holmes up near King Street. Anyway, Friend Ricks will be in a bank building in Hertford, but the banking concern took all the money along when it moved into its new quarters.

It is sort of news these days when any prices drop. But the Albemarle Electric Membership Corporation, through its president, A. T. Lane, has announced that as of January 29, a reduction of five per cent went into effect on electric rates. It will be good news for a lot of electric users.

Mrs. Jim Haynes, who now lives in Charlotte, sent in her renewal to The Herald this week. With the check was this brief note: 'Keep the paper coming. We are not like Miss Larrick from Washington. The paper is grabbed by both myself and my husband when it gets here and we read it from 'kiver to kiver.' We enjoy it as much as we did when we lived in Edenton 24 years ago.

And speaking of clippings, one was received some time back from the Troy, (N. Y.) Record. It had a piece about lighting Pittsburgh for Christmas with atomic reactor for peacetime purposes. One of the 12 engineers loaned by Westinghouse to assist in he project was Lauren J. Connery, husband of the former Annie Ruth White, a registered nurse from Edenton. Incidentally, Miss White was one of my nurses while I was a patient in Chowan Hospital when it was located on the base. It was Miss White who satisfied my curiosity by looking up and spelling the word "Diverticulitis"—that's what Doc Wood operated on me for.

Latest report from Memorial Hospital in Chapel Hill is to the effect that members of the Edenton "colony" are showing signs of improvement. Izzy Campen, after a serious setback, is able to get about the hospital, and Mrs. Lena Leary was able to stand up for a while early this week. Jim Daniels was in very serious condition for a time, but he came through an operation on his jaw and while not in the pink of condition, he is showing signs of recovery. Here's hoping all of 'em will soon be able to come back to the old home town-and I'll betcha they will be mighty glad to get back.

Harry Smith, Jr., executive vice president of the Chamber of Commerce, emphasized the importance of the tourist business in his remarks at a Chamber of Commerce meeting Monday night. Which reminds me of a clipping handed me by Mrs. Gus Moore. It refers to the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, but applies just as well to tourist County this week and will also taken up with a demonstration on business here. Here 'tis:

You may not own a motel or tourist resort, but the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce says you stand a good chance of prefiting from the tourist dollar.

The average American tourist, according to the Virginia chamber, spends about \$10 a day traveling in the United States,

An example of where the money goes, most motel owners show financial breakdown like

Salaries and wages, 31 cents. Taxes and insurance, 14 cents.

Interest on the mortgage, 121/2 cents. Furniture and other replacements, 6 cents. Heat, light and power, 4 cents. Telephone, 3 cents.

And shares also go to the local printers, laundrymen, dry cleaner and others.

If the tourist decides to spend his vacation the Old Dominion, his money is spent like in the Old Dominion, his money is spent like

Food and refreshment, 27 cents. Transportation, 22 cents. Lodging, 21 cents. Retail purchases, 14 cents. Theaters, other amusements, 7 cents.

Theaters, other amusements, 7 cents.
Tourist attractions, 4 cents.
Laundry and other services, 5 cents.
These figures indicate that businesses other than those dealing directly with the

tourist are making a profit, too. The Knoxville, Tenn., tourist bureau says it is convinced that farmers are benefitting from the tourist dollar. Some examples of

Eggs, 521,000 dozen; milk and cream,

909,000 pounds, and potatoes, 1,557,000 pounds.

All this, the Virginia chamis any community which can obtained a small factory.

February Set As American

Edenton Tea Party Chapter of he Daughters of the American Revolution will join the National that knowledge of American his-come of farm operators and their ory is the foundation on which families in 1955. itizens of the future.

February American History of self-government and personal

Ten Leaders In

ed by the Chowan Hospital Auxiliary, Mrs. W. B. Rosevear and ed an additional billion dollars Mrs. L. A. Patterson continue to hold the lead.

the contest, the ten leading teams and their scores follow: 1-Mrs. W. B. Rosevear and

Mrs. L. A. Patterson, 41,370. 2-Dr. Richard Hardin and Joe Thorud, 39,670. 3-Cecil Fry and W. T. Harry,

4-Mrs. Tom Shepard and Mrs Wesley Chesson, Jr., 34,170.

5-Earl Goodwin and Mrs Richard Goodwin, 31,640. 6-Mrs. Elton Forehand, Jr., and Mrs. Kathryn Brown, 29,860. 7-Mrs. Richard Elliott and

Mrs. J. H. Conger, 29,740. 8-Nick George and Jesse Harrell, 28,600.

9-Mrs. J. W. Davis Earl Goodwin, 28,530.

Schedule For Bookmobiles

and operated by the Pettigrew tivities. Regional Library served Chowan. The meeting on Monday was make runs this week.

Today (Thursday) - Advance naling game. and Oak Grove.

ord road and Yeopim. bookmobile schedule will be:

Today (Thursday) - St. Johns, It was also announced that old Hertford road and Brown- resign about a month ago,

2,523,000 quarts; meats, 2,- One-third Farm Family Income come eligible for Social Security \$2,400 for every farm in this classification. Coming From Nonfarm Sources

per says, is proof that travel Over a third of the income of ators and their families received generate the same financial ing dependence on farming itself \$1 1/2 billions for the year. penefit that would come if it as the predominant source of live- Behind these figures is a long- come added up to \$3½ billions in 1955, the equivalent of approxi-

has been the big growth in non- farm 100 days or more. Back in farm job opportunities as the re- 1930 this total was only 700,000. sult of the expansion of the econ- By 1940 the number had crossed half, but an appreciable and indicate it is approaching 11/2 History Month growing income is being contrib- million.

The category of return on savgrowing income is being contrib- million. by public and private retirement benefits, annuities, etc.

The Income Breakdown Society of the Daughters of the U.S. Department of Agriculture terest, dividends, trust funds, or American Revolution in sponsor- in cooperation with the Bureau of royalties. Rentals from nonfarm ing February as American His- the Census shows that farm oper- real estate came to an additional tory Month. It is pointed out ator families had an aggregate \$173 millions. Savings of the that February is an important nonfarm income of \$6.9 billions in farm population have shown a month in America's history, being 1955 out of a total income of \$19.3 big rise over the last decade and he birth month of its two great-billions in that year. Thus non- a half. At the beginning of this est Presidents, George Washing- agricultural income represented year, for example, farmers had ton and Abraham Lincoln, and 36 cents of every dollar of in-

Mayor Ernest Kehayes has is operator families rose to a new among the population at large ued a proclamation declaring high of \$71/2 billions in 1956, though still 36 cents of every dol-Month in Edenton and calls upon lar of their total income last year. all organizations, including the By contrast, the comparable figschools, to emphasize the study are for nonfarm income of farm of American history during the operators and their families was designated month in order that somewhat under \$6 billions in citizens may better appreciate 1950, or 27 cents of every dollar their good fortune in living in a of their income; and in 1948 was free country based on the dedi- about \$51/2 billions, or 22 cents of cation of our ancestors to the love every dollar of income for that year. Figures prior to 1948 are distorted by wartime influences and by the depression of the Thir-

Important of Nonfarm Job Bridge Marathon 1955, or over 80 cents of every dollar of nonfarm income for the At the close of the tenth round year. Of this total, the farm opf the bridge marathon sponsor- erator himself earned \$3.2 billions in wages and salaries, and receiv-

The dominance of off-farm employment in nonfarm income is With 20 couples participating in shown by the fact that farm oper-

Carver Library. Anyone desiring books who does not have a stop convenient may phone radio station WCDJ! and the message will be passed on to either Mrs. Harris or Mrs. Alexander, bookmobile librarians. Service is every four weeks and

By BILL GOODWIN

Troop 156 moved toward Boy Scout Week by one more step Bar (Patrol Leaders') Council ap-10-Medlin Belch and Al Phil-proved the Wednesday of that week as the day on which to take a trip to the shipyard at Portsmouth, Va. The trip was arranged by the Troop Committee.

Other activities during Scout Week will be a Scout party, Explorer party, Rotary Club meet-The two bookmobiles owned ing, window display and other ac

Wig-Wag Signaling. Billy Harry The remainder of the schedule was in charge and Jack Overman for the white bookmobile will be: helped out and carried on a sig-

Scoutmaster Jack Habit was Monday, February 3-Windsor appointed by the Green Bar to nighway, Route 17 north, Hert- see about one of the local "Ham" operators to give the Scouts a The remainder of the colored demonstration on that type of signaling.

Yeopim and Canaan's Temple. Gene Ward had consented re-Monday, February 3-Paradise placing Tom Ridgeway as Explorroad, Mexico road, Rocky Hock, er Advisor. Mr. Ridgeway had to

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agriculture, reflecting a long-term self-employment. Nonfarm earn- just under a third of all farms operation. In all, the 3 million generate a few dozen tourists shift in major sources of farm in- ings of the wife and other mem- and to whom farming is more a farms in the commercial classifiday throughout the year can come and a progressively lessen- bers of the family added up to way of life than a source of live- cation had an aggregate of \$3.4

term growth in the number of 1955 and averaged out to some mately \$1,100 per farm. The chief factor in this trend farm operators working off the omy over the last decade and a a million, and the latest figures

ings contributed close to a half billion dollars to the nonfarm income of farm operators and their A special survey made by the families in 1955 in the form of inover \$8 billions in savings deposits and U. S. Savings Bonds Ownership of life insurance also rests the sound activities of the Preliminary figures indicate has increased greatly among that the nonfarm income of farm, farmers in recent years as it has and the latest figures show three out of every four farm families with some life insurance protec-

> All Farmers Tanefit Farm operators and their fam-

ilies also had an income of over a half billion dollars in 1955 from a variety of pensions and benefits, including retirement pay, annuities, veterans' pensions and compensation. This source of nonfarm income also is certain to grow in the future as more and more farmers qualify for a pension in an off-the-farm job or be-

A breakdown of the Depart-! But commercial farmers, even ment of Agriculture figures shows those in the top echelons of agrithe wide distribution of nonfarm cultural production, also had income among farmers. The lead-'substantial income from nonfarm advertising and promotion the nation's farm operators and a total of \$5.7 billions in earnings ing beneficiary in this respect was sources. In a large number of pay. The chamber's opinion their families is now coming from non-agricultural sources in the group of part-time and resi- cases this nonfarm income even from sources entirely outside of from a noff-the-farm business or dential farmers, who make up exceeded earnings from the farm

lihood. This group's nonfarm in- billions in nonfarm income in









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